



*Sunday, February 28, 2010*  
*9am*

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Welcome visitors! Thank you for taking the time to fill out the communion card provided by the ushers. We believe that the host of the meal provided during worship today is Christ. Christ invites everyone to this meal, saying, "This is for you for the forgiveness of sin." Echoing Christ, we invite everyone to this banquet. If you would like to receive deeper instruction in the Christian faith; if you desire to be baptized; or if you simply seek someone to pray with or for you, inquire of the pastor or indicate the need on the communion card. Grape juice is in the center ring of the communion tray.

**First Sunday in Lent**

**~Gathering~**

Prelude.....

Confession and Forgiveness.....

**P:** Trusting in the word of life given in baptism,  
we are gathered in the name of the Father,  
and the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Merciful God,

**C: we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and are not worthy to be called your children.**

**Have mercy on us and turn us from our sinful ways.**

**Bring us back to you as those  
who once were dead but now have life,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.**

**C: Amen.**

**P:** The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Through the Holy Spirit,  
God gives life, freedom from the power of sin,  
and resurrection from the dead.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
Live in newness of life.

**C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn..... "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" .....#505

*All sing verses 1 and 4, men sing verse 2, women sing verse 3*

Greeting.....

**P:** From our God who loves us with an everlasting love,  
who brings forth a new creation in Christ,  
who leads us by the Spirit in the wilderness:  
Grace and abundant mercy be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

The Prayer of the Day.....

**A:** Let us pray

**C: Eternal God, it is your glory always to have mercy. Bring back all who have erred and strayed from your ways; lead them again to embrace in faith the truth of your Word and to hold it fast; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Choir.... *“Jesus Took My Burdens All Away”*

**~ The Word ~**

First Lesson.....Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

*Spark Story Bible pg. 30 , NRSV Spark Bible pg. 15 , Pew Bible pg.10*

**Lector:** Word of God, Word of Life

**Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm.....Psalm 27

**A:** <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then <sup>1</sup> shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I <sup>1</sup> be afraid?

**C:** <sup>2</sup>**When evildoers close in against me to de- <sup>1</sup> vour my flesh, they, my foes and my enemies, will stum- <sup>1</sup> ble and fall.**

**A:** <sup>3</sup>Though an army encamp against me, my heart <sup>1</sup> will not fear. Though war rise up against me, my trust will <sup>1</sup> not be shaken.

**C:** <sup>4</sup>**One thing I ask of the LORD; one <sup>1</sup> thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God <sup>1</sup> in the temple. R**

**A:** <sup>5</sup>For in the day of trouble God will <sup>1</sup> give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- <sup>1</sup> on a rock.

**C:** <sup>6</sup>**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies <sup>1</sup> who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music <sup>1</sup> to the LORD.**

**A:** <sup>7</sup>Hear my voice, O LORD, <sup>1</sup> when I call; have mercy on me and <sup>1</sup> answer me.

**C:** <sup>8</sup>**My heart speaks your message— <sup>1</sup> "Seek my face." Your face, O LORD, <sup>1</sup> I will seek. R**

**A:** <sup>9</sup>Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- <sup>1</sup> vant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of <sup>1</sup> my salvation.

**C:** <sup>10</sup>**Though my father and my moth- <sup>1</sup> er forsake me, the LORD will <sup>1</sup> take me in.**

**A:** <sup>11</sup>Teach me your <sup>1</sup> way, O LORD;

lead me on a level path, because of<sup>1</sup> my oppressors.

**C:** <sup>12</sup>**Subject me not to the will<sup>1</sup> of my foes,  
for they rise up against me, false witnesses<sup>1</sup> breathing violence.**

**A:** <sup>13</sup>This I believe—that I will see the goodness<sup>1</sup> of the LORD  
in the land<sup>1</sup> of the living!

**C:** <sup>14</sup>**Wait for the LORD<sup>1</sup> and be strong.  
Take heart and wait<sup>1</sup> for the LORD! R**

### Lenten Acclamation



**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Thirteenth Chapter.

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel.....Luke 13:31-35

*NRSV Spark Bible Pg. 1151 , Pew Bible Pg 849*

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon.....Pastor John Mix

Hymn..... “*Shepherd Me, O God*”.....#780

*Pastors will sing the leader portions, verses 1-5, of the song and the congregation is invited to sing the refrain*

Reception of new members .....

*Today EKLC welcomes new members:*

*Chris Ellis & Ruth Holden*

*Dave and Gina Reese*

*Dave & Sue Griffin*

*And Erika Froeming*

The Nicene Creed.....

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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**A:** Lord, in your mercy,  
**C:** hear our prayer

Sharing of the Peace.....

*~The Meal~*

Offering .....

Hymn..... *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”* .....#186

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Eucharistic Prayer.....

**P:** as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**P:** Grace our table with your presence.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P:** peace, and love.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P:** now and forever.

**C: Amen**

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Communion .....

*You are invited to sing the following hymn during the  
distribution of Communion:*

***“Eat This Bread” #472 4X***

Post Communion Prayer.....

**A:** Compassionate God,  
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.  
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:  
may our fasting be hunger for justice;  
our alms, a making of peace;  
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

Blessing.....

**P:** The God who formed us in love,  
who renews us through grace,  
and who will transform us into glory,  
+ bless you this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

Hymn..... *“O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate”* .....#722

**P:** Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## ~*Worship Assistants*~

**Guest Preacher ~ Pastor John Mix**  
**Assisting Minister ~ Arvid Mathison**

**Reader ~ Karen Hayes**

**Acolytes ~ Jacob Robinson & Colton Schuler**

**Greeter ~ Barb Klemp Ushers ~ Peace Circle**

**Communion Set-up/Take down ~ Peace Circle: Joanne Gyland  
& Marge Stach**

**Communion Assistants ~ Lois Zerkle & Don Hoehn**

**Organist ~ Judy Rusch**

**Coffee Hour ~ Natasha Amundson**



### Guest Preacher

**Welcome John Mix, Dane County Jail Chaplain, as our preacher today.**

Currently, two Chaplains are employed by Madison Area Lutheran Council, a ministry EKLC supports through its benevolence. Reverend John Mix works in a full time capacity to minister primarily to the male inmates of the Dane County Jail. Reverend Julia Weaver works in a part time capacity with a focus primarily upon the female inmates.

The Chaplains respond to individual requests by inmates, such as:

- o Contacting Family Members
- o Providing Bibles & Bible Study Materials
- o Accompany to Court Hearings
- o Providing Eyeglasses
- o Providing Birthday Cards for Family Members
- o Spending One on One time for Reflection and Spiritual Supports

The Chaplains also provide worship and small group opportunities for those people incarcerated in the Jail. A Chapel in the Jail, which was remodeled as a gift honoring long time Chaplain Dell Gietz, is used to provide worship space and room for other gathering opportunities. Both Reverend Weaver and Reverend Mix utilize their unique artistic gifts as they minister to the people in the Jail.

In addition to serving the people incarcerated in the Dane County Jail, the Chaplains are also available to the administrative staff and Dane County Sheriff Deputies.

## ~ *Prayer Requests* ~

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

- East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry
- Prayers for the ministries of Arden and Jana Haug, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad
- Healthy pregnancy and upcoming births

### **God's guidance and direction for...**

- Please keep the family of Ed Gretebeck\* and Dan Kurowski in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.
- For the people of Haiti
- For true repentance
- Those suffering from cancer and other long time illnesses
- Those who are struggling because of the recession or job loss
- For peace in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Yemen.
- For those suffering from infertility or difficult pregnancies.

### **God's protection and safety for those being deployed...**

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

- SSGT John Calhoun    - Matt Bissen                      - SSGT Paul Johnson
- Alexandra Oates    -Cpl Jacob Janes                      -LTC Eric Killen

### **Healing and health concerns...**

- Carol Barfknecht                      -Ishula Webb                              -Jan Christensen-Goecke
- Roxanne Wildes                      -Bret May                                      -Betty Alder
- Joyce Krull                              -Cody Wolf

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed.

Prayer requests week of 2-21-2010

\*Denotes new/changed request



# ~Calendar of Events~

*Sunday, February 28, 2010*

Worship ~ Guest Preacher John Mix of Dane Co. Jail Chaplaincy .....	9:00am
Coffee Hour hosted by Natasha Amundson.....	10:15am
Sunday School.....	10:15am
Lenten Proverb Study.....	10:30am

*Monday, March 1, 2010*

Morning Prayer Service.....	8:30am
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*Tuesday, March 2, 2010*

Co-Sponsorship Refugee Resettlement Meeting.....	6:30pm
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*Wednesday, March 3, 2010*

Wednesday Evening Band Practice.....	5:15pm
Worship with Holden Evening Prayer.....	6:00pm
Lenten Supper hosted by Colorado Group.....	6:45pm

*Thursday, March 4, 2010*

Pin & Sew.....	9:00am
Potluck.....	12:00pm
WELCA Meeting.....	1:00pm
Bible Study.....	1:30pm

*Sunday, March 7, 2010*

Worship Isaiah Long and Tanner Furseth Baptism.....	9:00am
Coffee hour hosted by Sunday School.....	10:15am
Lenten Proverb Study.....	10:30am



## LENTE N CALENDAR

**Lenten Proverbs:** Are you interested in *How to Read Proverbs*? Join a Lenten book discussion and journey studying the wisdom sayings of Solomon. Gain insight into finances, relationships, work, farming, and more. We'll read together the book [How to Read Proverbs](#) by [Tremper Longman](#). Starting February 21<sup>st</sup> and continue Sundays during Lent at 10:15am in Council room. Led by Pastor Clint and Intern Nathan. Cost \$10.

**Wednesday 6 PM - Worship.** During the Lenten season we will be exploring the relationship between the book of Proverbs and a selection of country songs, performed by our Wednesday worship band. Come and experience the wisdom of Proverbs in comparison to the wisdom of country music. The book of Proverb takes a look at a wise person and a foolish person. It provides a way of looking at situations in life, and teaching us that the wise way is the one that should be strived for. It is not the easier path but often the one that will lead to wisdom. You're invited on this journey with the wisdom of God during the Lenten season. Following worship will be a meal. All are welcome to share in the fellowship.

**March 3rd** - Colorado Trip sponsors the meal

**March 10th** - Colorado sponsors the meal

**March 17th** - Confirmation Trip sponsors the meal

**March 24th** - ALL CONGREGATION POTLUCK

Please bring the following according to the first letter in your last name:  
A-I Main Dishes ; J-N Salads ; O-Z Desserts

## ~ Announcements ~

- **LWR Health Kits for Haiti.** Because of the great need in Haiti, Lutheran World Relief has run out of its supply of Health Kits. If you feel led to contribute in this way please find a list of items needed for the health kits and assembly instructions in the narthex. Lindsay Stolen brought EKLC a large supply of tooth brushes to be included in these health kits, they are located next to the supply lists please take one to include in your health kit.
- **Refugee Family Co-Sponsorship:** All are invited to a Co-Sponsorship Refugee Resettlement meeting Tuesday, March 2nd at 6:30pm, as we plan to co-sponsor a Bhutanese family in Madison that will arrive March 11th.
- **Cambridge Food Pantry Update:** *Starting* Monday, March 1st, the Cambridge Food Pantry will be open to shoppers **EVERY Monday of the month from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.** We will no longer be open on Saturday. Pantry doors will unlock at 5:00 p.m. As the number of families shopping the pantry continues to grow, we hope the additional dates offer an option to Clients. Donation hours have also changed. Donations are accepted at the pantry **Monday 9 - 1 p.m. & 4-5 p.m., Tuesday 9 - 11 a.m. and Thursday 9 - 3 p.m.** The Cambridge Food Pantry is located at 211 South Street, under the blue awning. For further information call Wanda at 423-8142 or email: [foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us](mailto:foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us). **The food Pantry is in need of paper grocery bags with handles.**
- **Church Dartball banquet** is Monday, March 8th at Central Lutheran Church in Edgerton at 6:00pm.